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**IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES**

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Mr. WARNER (for himself, Mr. DURENBERGER, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. SARBANES, Mr. KEMPTHORNE, Mr. BROWN, Mr. COCHRAN, Mr. STEVENS, Mr. SHELBY, Mr. ROBB, Mr. PACKWOOD, Mr. COATS, Mr. MCCAIN, Mr. D'AMATO, Mr. DECONCINI, Mr. SMITH, Mr. THURMOND, Mr. EXON, Mr. BOREN, Mr. NICKLES, Mr. WELLSTONE, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. PRYOR, Mr. CRAIG, Mr. DOLE, Mr. MOYNIHAN, Mr. PRESSLER, Mr. MURKOWSKI, Mr. PELL, Ms. MOSELEY-BRAUN, Mr. MACK, Mr. HOLLINGS, Mr. CONRAD, Mr. NUNN, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Mr. HEFLIN, Mr. DODD, Mr. BAUCUS, Mr. SASSER, Mr. SIMON, Mr. SIMPSON, Mr. CHAFEE, Mr. INOUE, Mr. HATCH, Mr. JEFFORDS, Mr. HELMS, Mr. ROTH, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mr. BUMPERS, Mrs. KASSEBAUM, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. LOTT, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. COHEN, Mr. METZENBAUM, Mr. CAMPBELL, Mr. LUGAR, Mr. KERRY, and Mrs. HUTCHISON) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs

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in commemoration of the Vietnam Women's Memorial.

1       *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2       *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3       **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4       This Act may be cited as the “Vietnam Women’s Me-  
5       morial Coin Act of 1994”.

6       **SEC. 2. COIN SPECIFICATIONS.**

7       (a) ONE-DOLLAR SILVER COINS.—

8               (1) ISSUANCE.—The Secretary of the Treasury  
9       (hereafter in this Act referred to as the “Secretary”)  
10       shall issue not more than 600,000 one-dollar coins,  
11       which shall weigh 26.73 grams, have a diameter of  
12       1.500 inches, and contain 90 percent silver and 10  
13       percent copper.

14              (2) DESIGN.—The design of the coins issued  
15       under this Act shall be emblematic of the Vietnam  
16       Women’s Memorial sculpture. On each coin there  
17       shall be a designation of the value of the coin, an  
18       inscription of the year “1994”, and inscriptions of  
19       the words “Liberty”, “In God We Trust”, “United  
20       States of America”, and “E Pluribus Unum”.

21       (b) LEGAL TENDER.—The coins issued under this  
22       Act shall be legal tender, as provided in section 5103 of  
23       title 31, United States Code.

1 **SEC. 3. SOURCES OF BULLION.**

2       The Secretary shall obtain silver for the coins minted  
3 under this Act only from stockpiles established under the  
4 Strategic and Critical Minerals Stock Piling Act (50  
5 U.S.C. 98 et seq.).

6 **SEC. 4. SELECTION OF DESIGN.**

7       The design for the coins authorized by this Act shall  
8 be selected by the Secretary after consultation with the  
9 Chair of the Vietnam Women's Memorial Project, Incorporated.  
10 As required by section 5135 of title 31, United  
11 States Code, the design shall also be reviewed by the Citizens  
12 Commemorative Advisory Committee.

13 **SEC. 5. ISSUANCE OF COINS.**

14       (a) QUALITY OF COINS.—Coins minted under this  
15 Act shall be issued in uncirculated and proof qualities.

16       (b) MINT FACILITY.—Only 1 facility of the United  
17 States Mint may be used to strike any particular quality  
18 of the coins minted under this Act.

19       (c) PERIOD FOR ISSUANCE.—The coins authorized  
20 under this Act shall be available for issue not later than  
21 July 4, 1994, and shall be minted only during the 1-year  
22 period beginning on such date.

23 **SEC. 6. SALE OF COINS.**

24       (a) SALE PRICE.—The coins authorized under this  
25 Act shall be sold by the Secretary at a price equal to the  
26 sum of the face value of the coins, the surcharge provided

1 in subsection (c) with respect to such coins, and the cost  
2 of designing and issuing the coins (including labor, mate-  
3 rials, dies, use of machinery, overhead expenses, market-  
4 ing, and shipping).

5 (b) PREPAID ORDERS.—The Secretary shall accept  
6 prepaid orders for the coins authorized under this Act  
7 prior to the issuance of such coins. Sale prices with respect  
8 to such prepaid orders shall be at a reasonable discount.

9 (c) SURCHARGES.—All sales shall include a surcharge  
10 of \$10 per coin.

11 **SEC. 7. GENERAL WAIVER OF PROCUREMENT REGULA-**  
12 **TIONS.**

13 No provision of law governing procurement or public  
14 contracts shall be applicable to the procurement of goods  
15 or services necessary for carrying out the provisions of this  
16 Act. Nothing in this section shall relieve any person enter-  
17 ing into a contract under the authority of this Act from  
18 complying with any law relating to equal employment op-  
19 portunity.

20 **SEC. 8. DISTRIBUTION OF SURCHARGES.**

21 All surcharges received by the Secretary from the sale  
22 of coins issued under this Act shall be promptly paid by  
23 the Secretary to the Vietnam Women's Memorial Project,  
24 Incorporated, to be used—

1           (1) to establish and maintain an endowment to  
2           be a permanent source of support for the Vietnam  
3           Women's Memorial;

4           (2) for education and research concerning veter-  
5           ans and their families; and

6           (3) for the identification and documentation of  
7           the more than 250,000 women who served in the  
8           Armed Forces of the United States during the Viet-  
9           nam era.

10 **SEC. 9. AUDITS.**

11       The Comptroller General shall have the right to ex-  
12       amine such books, records, documents, and other data of  
13       the Vietnam Women's Memorial Project, Incorporated, as  
14       may be related to the expenditures of amounts paid under  
15       section 8.

16 **SEC. 10. NUMISMATIC PUBLIC ENTERPRISE FUND.**

17       The coins issued under this Act are subject to the  
18       provisions of section 5134 of title 31, United States Code,  
19       relating to the Numismatic Public Enterprise Fund.

20 **SEC. 11. FINANCIAL ASSURANCES.**

21       It is the sense of the Congress that this coin program  
22       shall be self-sustaining, and should be administered to re-  
23       sult in no net cost to the Numismatic Public Enterprise  
24       Fund.